

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION 10**

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Reply to Attn of: HW-113

Mr. Anthony R. Morrell (EP/Ross) Bonneville Power Administration Ross Complex P.O. Box 491 Vancouver, WA 98666

Dear Mr. Morrell:

In accordance with the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) guidance for the preparation of Remedial Action Reports (OSWER publication 9355.0-39FS, June 1992), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby notifies the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) that EPA accepts BPA's certification that the remedy and actions required by the Record of Decision (ROD) for Operable Unit A (OUA) at the BPA/Ross Complex National Priorities List Superfund site have been implemented.

BPA submitted the Remedial Action Report for OUA on January 16, 1996. Information contained in that report certifies that the selected remedial actions for soil contamination in the Ross Substation, the Substation Capacitor Yard, the Capacitor Test Lab and the Wood Pole Storage Yard East have been completed in accordance with the requirements of the ROD. For the Ross Substation, Capacitor Yard, and the Capacitor Test Lab, soils contaminated with PCBs were excavated to either the industrial cleanup level of 10ppm or the residential cleanup level of 1ppm, depending on the location of the contamination. The contaminated soils were disposed of at Chemical Waste Management's TSCA permitted landfill in Arlington, Oregon. The contaminants of concern in the Wood Pole Storage Area East( high polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons [HPAHs] and pentachlorophenol) were remediated with an enhanced bioremediation process. While contaminant levels were reduced by 80%, the ROD's Tier 1 cleanup levels were not achieved, and the treated soils were returned to the pole yard and capped as required by the ROD. An inspection conducted by the EPA remedial project manager confirmed that all required remedial actions for the cleanup of the Ross Complex had been completed.

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This Remedial Action Report contains the elements necessary to document an operable unit completion. EPA appreciates the efforts and cooperation of BPA in working toward the cleanup of the Ross Complex site.

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